
OLR Bill Analysis

SB 139

AN ACT CONCERNING NOTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL STABILITY OF NURSING HOME FACILITIES AND MANAGED RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES TO PATIENTS AND RESIDENTS.

SUMMARY:

This bill requires (1) nursing homes, residential care homes, rest homes with nursing supervision, and chronic and convalescent nursing homes and (2) managed residential communities (facilities in which assisted living services are provided) to notify prospective and current residents about certain financial conditions the facilities are experiencing. It requires the former to provide notice if a facility is placed in receivership or files for bankruptcy. It requires the latter to provide notice if it files for bankruptcy.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2012

BACKGROUND

Receivership

A court may appoint a receiver for a nursing home facility if it:

1. is operating without a license or its license has been suspended or revoked;
2. intends to close and has not made adequate arrangements to relocate its residents at least 30 days before closing;
3. experienced or is likely to experience a serious financial loss or failure that jeopardizes its residents' health, safety, and welfare; or
4. substantially violates the Public Health Code, other state laws, or Medicaid or Medicare rules.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Aging Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 11 Nay 0 (03/08/2012)

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 24 Nay 0 (03/23/2012)